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I do not trust the EPA or their cleanup plan. The data they are using to make this plan is over ten years old, and information has changed since then. The things that were contaminating the river back then have all since been stopped, so the river is probably really different now. I regularly use it for boating, waterskiing, and fishing. I don't think turning any part of the Willamette River into a construction zone for decades is the right thing to do. It would shut down businesses, and that is unacceptable. I would also be personally affected by the higher taxes this plan would cost. I would have to stop putting money into my retirement savings, and I couldn't spend it on other things that would help the economy.

The Portland area depends a lot on the use of the Willamette River. The EPA can't just shut it down. We need to get more local input because we have a better understanding of what we need to keep our businesses open and the economy growing.

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